## PART 2914 - SEALED BIDDING

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### 2914.404-1 Cancellation of invitations after opening.

The authority of the agency head in FAR 14.404-1(c) and (f) to make a *written* determination to cancel an invitation for bids and reject all bids after opening and to authorize completion of the acquisition through negotiation is delegated to the HCA.

#### 2914.407-3 Other mistakes disclosed before award.

- (a) The authority to make determinations, as conferred by FAR 14.407-3(e) is delegated to the HCA, without power of redelegation, but only after consultation with the Office of the Solicitor. All such determinations shall be documented in the contract file.
- (b) The following procedures must be followed when submitting doubtful cases of mistakes in bids to the Comptroller General for an advance decision, as provided by FAR 14.407-3(i).
  - (1) Requests must be made by the HCA after consultation with the Office of the Solicitor.
- (2) Requests must be in writing, dated, signed by the requestor, addressed to the Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office, Washington, DC 20548, and contain the following:
  - (i) The name and address of the party requesting the decision; and
- (ii) A statement of the question to be decided, a presentation of all relevant facts, a statement of the requesting party's position with respect to the question, and copies of all pertinent records and supporting documentation.

#### 2914.408 Award.

#### 2914.408-1 General.

- (a) When only one bid is received in response to an invitation for bids, such bid may be considered and accepted if the contracting officer makes a written determination that:
  - (1) The specifications used in the invitation were not unduly restrictive;

- (2) Adequate competition was solicited and it could have been reasonably assumed that more than one bid would have been submitted;
  - (3) The price is reasonable; and
  - (4) The bid is otherwise in accordance with the invitation for bids.
  - (b) Such a determination must be placed in the contract file.